



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 5.7

**Soil moisture supplies:** 10% very short, 34% short, 48% adequate, and 8% surplus.

### Field Crops Report

Early planted rice varieties have begun to head and fill. Some rice producers were draining fields for harvest. Fertilizer and insecticide applications were made on late-planted rice. Soybeans producers scouted fields for insects and disease. Some soybean fields have been affected by armyworm infestations. Sorghum producers scouted for midge. Sugarcane producers scouted for borers and finished field preparation for planting.

### Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Crawfish producers prepared to plant rice as a forage crop and prepared ponds. Vegetable producers continued to harvest and sell summer produce.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Pasture and hay field conditions were declining due to the dry conditions. Cattlemen were fertilizing pastures and continued cutting hay.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2007	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough	80	72	76	67
	Mature	2	0	9	7
Cotton	Squaring	82	80	91	91
	Setting Bolls	42	19	35	40
Hay	First Cutting	95	92	96	93
	Second Cutting	36	17	28	17
Peaches	Harvested	73	56	56	60
Rice	Headed	39	30	48	47
Sorghum	Headed	86	70	80	66
	Turning Color	20	6	14	12
Soybeans	Planted	100	99	100	99
	Emerged	99	97	100	96
	Blooming	59	55	82	64
	Setting Pods	35	30	58	43
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	98	95	99	92

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	2	5	38	49	6
Cotton	0	3	42	53	2
Rice	0	1	25	66	8
Sorghum	0	3	39	53	5
Soybeans	3	8	39	44	6
Sugarcane	1	5	22	43	29
Livestock	1	7	34	50	8
Vegetables	5	12	40	39	4
Pasture	3	11	42	37	7

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 LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 06/30/08 TO 07/06/08

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM				
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	94	65	80	82	0.00	7.13	32.42	28.96
Minden	94	64	79	81	0.04	5.85	25.61	31.38
Mooringsport	95	65	80	MM	0.00	3.82	26.56	26.11
Extreme/Average	95	64	80	82	0.01	5.60	28.20	29.53
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	94	64	80	82	0.01	4.76	22.52	31.89
Homer/Hill Farm	94	62	78	80	0.40	4.50	21.77	31.29
ULM-Monroe	(96)	65	81	82	0.33	0.58	17.52	33.76
Colmubia Lock	94	63	80	MM	0.00	1.81	21.91	34.89
Extreme/Average	96	62	80	82	0.19	2.91	20.93	32.48
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	94	65	79	82	0.15	3.35	30.40	34.88
LSU-St Joseph	93	64	80	82	0.12	2.07	25.00	33.09
LSU-Winnsboro	96	(60)	80	82	0.00	0.47	25.60	33.17
Tallulah	93	65	79	81	0.00	2.02	26.79	34.42
Extreme/Average	96	60	79	82	0.07	1.98	26.95	33.81
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	95	63	79	81	0.55	1.96	23.07	31.41
LSU-Rosepine	94	63	79	81	0.28	1.56	21.86	31.42
Natchitoches	95	64	81	83	0.31	0.84	24.13	31.10
Extreme/Average	95	63	80	82	0.38	1.76	22.47	31.15
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	92	67	80	83	0.33	3.11	27.07	32.89
Brusly	91	66	79	81	0.19	2.28	29.19	33.83
Bunkie	93	66	80	82	0.78	3.38	26.74	34.91
LSU-Alexandria	94	60	79	82	0.25	3.31	25.43	31.41
Extreme/Average	94	60	80	82	0.39	3.02	27.11	33.19
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Franklinton 5SW	93	65	80	MM	0.30	3.08	27.42	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	92	66	80	81	1.52	3.16	28.21	33.49
LSU-Clinton	91	65	78	81	3.19	5.62	30.75	34.84
LSU-Hammond	93	64	80	81	0.18	3.01	33.17	34.31
Slidell	92	68	81	82	0.98	1.99	32.94	33.51
Extreme/Average	93	64	80	82	1.23	2.81	30.44	35.29
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
De Ridder	94	64	80	82	1.45	3.11	27.92	32.51
Jennings	91	67	80	81	0.18	3.30	28.98	30.97
LSU-Crowley	91	68	81	82	0.06	4.95	28.78	31.61
Extreme/Average	94	64	80	82	0.56	3.79	28.56	31.55
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	90	69	80	82	0.00	3.92	24.02	32.30
LSU-Jeanerette	91	67	81	81	0.34	5.62	24.61	32.32
Morgan City	91	71	81	81	0.26	4.01	20.03	31.94
Extreme/Average	91	67	80	82	0.20	4.52	24.32	32.38
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	92	72	81	81	0.41	2.93	29.64	33.60
Houma	93	68	81	82	0.14	4.99	20.91	32.46
Terrytown 3S	96	71	83	MM	1.11	8.15	39.77	MM.MM
Reserve	92	70	81	82	0.50	5.81	28.44	36.03
Extreme/Average	96	68	82	82	0.54	5.47	29.69	33.48
<b>State</b>								
State Averages	96	60	80	82	0.43	3.53	26.74	32.63

M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through July 06, 2008

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